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SUBJ: JERUSALEM PROBLEM:ETHIOPIAN-SUDANESE INITIATIVE

REF: BEIRUT 13640 NOTAL

1. IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT IF SUDANESE PRESIDENT NIMEIRI SUCCEEDS IN GETTING ETHIOPIAN EMPEROR HAILE SELASSIE TO JOIN HIM IN APPROACH TO VATICAN ON " DEZIONIZATION OF JERUSALEM" (REFTEL), ISRAELI REACTION IS LIKELY TO BE EMOTIONAL. PARTICULARLY DISTURBING IS SUGGESTION THAT SUDAN AND ESPECIALLY ETHIOPIA MAY LOCK THEMSELVES PUBLICLY INTO POSITION DEMANDING TRANSFER OF JERUSALEM OR PART OF CITY TO "ARAB CONTROL,"
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AS OPPOSED TO LONGSTANDING UN POSITION FAVORING SOME FORM

OF INTERNATIONALIZATION.

2. WE TRUST THAT VATICAN WOULD INSTANTLY RECOGNIZE COMPLICATIONS WHICH ANY SUCH INITIATIVE WOULD CREATE FOR AN ALREADY HIGHLY COMPLICATED PROBLEM AND THAT VATICAN WOULD TRY TO QUIT DOWN SUDANESE AND ETHIOPIANS. IDEAL THING IN OUR VIEW WOULD BE RAPID DISPATCH OF MESSAGE BY VATICAN TO NIMERARI AND HAILE SELASSIE TO TRY TO HEAD THEM OFF IN ADVANCE.

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